

REMARKS

Claims 14-26 are pending in this application. Claims 1-13 have been canceled. Claims 14-26 have been added.

Claim 14 represents claim 23 presented in the parent application on February 27, 2003. Claim 23 was subject to restriction (species election) in the Office Action of May 5, 2003. Claims 15-26 directly depend on claim 14 either directly or through intervening claims.

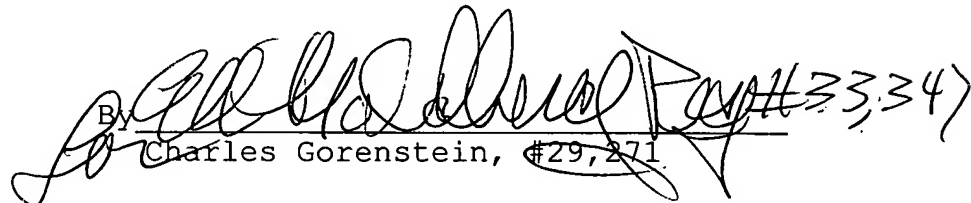
CONCLUSION

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Elliot A. Goldberg (Reg. No. 33,347) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments Abstract of the Disclosure
Replacement Sheet containing Fig. 1

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A rotary indexing machine has a fixed machine frame, which is designed for holding a multiplicity of machining units and includes at least one support. The rotary indexing machine has a rotary table rotatable relative to the machine frame about a vertical indexing axis to the arranged on the rotary table. The support is designed for the lateral attachment of at least one of the machining units to create free space for machining. The machine frame has high rigidity and stability, a large free space for machining workpieces being created at the same time in the region of the rotary table, and good accessibility of satellites. The indexing devices and the rotary table ensure adjustment or setting-up of the machine.